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From: NEW YORK

To: MOSCOW

No: 1579

28 September 1943

To DIRECTOR.

1. Reference your No. 12527[a].

- (a) MATVEJ[1] is requesting a loan to pay off debts which he has incurred as a result of the assistance which he has been giving to his sick father for a long time.

[33 groups unrecoverable]

to TOM[11], who was also [1 group unrecovered] in good time.

- (c) The names MATVEJ, FRANK, GUSTAV, SANDI and RICHARD are respectively[b] Milton SHWARTZ, Arthur MOOSEN, George GORCHOFF, Stephan RICH, Robinson[c] BOBROW.

2. The NEIGHBOR[808D][111] has reported that [1 group unrecovered] from the State Department by the name of HISS[iv] (

[121 groups unrecoverable]

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MOL'ER[v]

Notes: [a] Not available.

[b] From here to the end of the sentence the names were spelled out in the Latin alphabet.

[c] Sent as "Ribinson".

Comments:

[1] MATVEJ: Identified as Milton SHWARTZ in paragraph 1(c).

[11] TOM: Probably Colonel Aleksei Ivanovich SORVIN of the Tank Department of the Soviet Government Purchasing Commission.

[111] NEIGHBOR: Member of another Soviet intelligence organization.

[iv] HISS: Spelled out in the Latin alphabet. At this time Alger HISS was Assistant Political Adviser for the Far East, Department of State.

[v] MOL'ER: i.e. "MOLIERE"; Pavel P. MIKHAILOV, Soviet Vice-Consul in NEW YORK.

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